

Proposed Bill No. 5086

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LCO No. 122

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by: REP. FLEISCHMANN, 18th Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 20-8a of the general statutes be amended to require
- 2 that: (1) The Governor make six appointments to the board, legislative
- 3 leadership make six appointments to the board and patient advocacy
- 4 groups make three appointments to the board; (2)
- 5 reappointments or replacements be distributed among appointing
- 6 authorities in the same ratio; (3) of the fifteen members on the board, at
- 7 least one be a patient advocate who is not a physician, and at least one
- 8 be an attorney with expertise in the practice of criminal law; (4) the
- 9 board complete investigations and take appropriate action not later
- 10 than six months after the filing of a complaint; and (5) the board
- 11 contact the Chief State's Attorney if it appears that an individual
- 12 currently or formerly under investigation violated state criminal
- 13 statutes.

## Statement of Purpose:

To improve the effectiveness of the Connecticut Medical Examining Board and strengthen patient protection in Connecticut.